

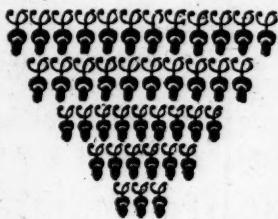
# THREE SPEECHES

OF SIR  
EDWARD DEARINGS,  
Knight and Baronet in the  
Commons House of  
Parliament.

*The first concerning the freedome of M<sup>r</sup>. Willson, a  
Minister in Kent.*

*The second at a grand Committee of the whole house  
for Religion.*

*The third at a delivery of a Petition out of Kent, con-  
cerning the present government of the Church.*



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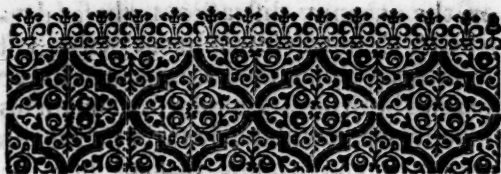
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**SPEECH MADE**  
**BY SIR EDWARD**  
**DEARING KNIGHT AND**  
**Baronet,** in the Commons house  
of Parliament concerning the free-  
dome of Master *Wilson*,  
upon the tenth day of  
*Novemer, 1640.*

M<sup>r</sup>. SPEAKER,

**Y** Esterday the affaires of this  
House did borrow all the  
time allotted to the great  
Committee for Religion. I  
am sorry that having but halfe  
a day in a whole weeke, wee have lost  
that.

Mr. *Speaker*, It hath pleased God to put  
into the heart of his Majestie (for the Kings  
heart is in the hand of the Lord) once more  
to assemble us into a Senate, to consult up-

on the unhappy distractions, the sad dangers, & the much feared mines of this last flourishing Church and Kingdome. God be prayd both for his goodnesse, and for his severity wherewith hee hath impelled this meeting; and humble thanks unto his Majestie whose parentall care of us his Subjects, is willing to relieve us.

The sufferances that wee have undergone are reducible to two heads. The first concerning the *Church*: the second belonging to the *Commonwealth*. The first of these must have the first fruits of this Parliament, as being the first in write and worth, and more immediate to the honour of God and his Glory, every dramme whereof is worth the whole weight of a Kingdome.

The Common-wealth (it is true) is full of apparent dangers. The sword is come home unto us, and the two twinne-Nations united together under one royall head, brethren together in the bowells and the bosome of the same Island, and which is above all imbanded together with the same Religion (I say the same Religion) by a devillish machination, like to bee fatally imbread in each others blood, ready to digge each others grave *Quantillum absuit?*

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For other grievances also, the poore disheartned subject, sadly groanes, not able to distinguish betwixt Power and Law. And with a weeping heart (no question) hath prayed for this hower, in hope to bee relieved, and to know hereafter, whether any thing hee hath, besides his poore part and portion of the Common ayre he breathes, may be truely called his owne.

These (Mr. *Speaker*) and many other doe deserve and must shortly have our deepe regard but *Suo gradu*, not in the first place: There is a *unum necessarium* above all our worldly sufferances and dangers. Religion the immediate service due unto the honour of Almighty God. And herein let us all be confident, that all our consultations will prove unprosperous, if wee put any determination before that of Religion.

For my part, Let the sword reach from the North to the South, and a generall perdition of all our remaining right and safety, threaten us in open view, it shall bee so farre from making me to decline the first settling of Religion, that I shall ever argue, and rather conclude it thus. The more gear, the more imminent our perills of this world are, the stronger and quicker ought  
our

our care to bee, for the Glory of God and the pure Law of our soules.

If then ( *Mr. Speaker* ) it may passe with full allowance, that all our cares may giue way unto the treaty of Religion, I will reduce that also to bee considered under two heads: first of Ecclesiasticke persons, then of Ecclesiasticke causes. Let no man start or bee affrighted at the im- at the imagined length of this consultation, it will not, it cannot take up so much time as it is worth. — This it is God and the King, this is God and the Kingdome, nay, this is God and the two Kingdomes cause.

And therefore ( *Mr. Speaker* ) my humble motion is, that wee may all of us seriously, speedily, and hartily enter upon this, the best, the greatest, the most important cause we can treat of.

Now ( *Mr. Speaker* ) in pursuite of my owne motion, and to make a little entrance into this great affayre, I will present unto you the petition of a poore oppressed Minister in the County of *Kent*: A man Orthodox in his Doctrine, conformable in his life, laborious in the Ministry as any we have, or I doe know.

He is now a sufferer ( as all good men are ) under the generall obliquity of a Puritan;

Puritan; as with other things was excellently delivered by that silver trumpet at the Barre. The Pursivant watches his doore, and divides him and his cure asunder, to both their greifes: For it is not with him as (perhaps) with some that set the Pursivant at worke, gladdened of an excuse to be out of their Pulpit, It is his delight to Preach.

About a weeke since I went over to *Lambeth*, to move that great Bishop (too great indeede) to take this danger off from this Minister, and to recall the Pursivant. And withall I did undertake for Master *Wilson* (for so your Petitioner is called) that he should answer in any his accusers, of the Kings Courts at *Westminster*.

△ The Bishop made me answer (as neare as I can remember) *in hac verba*, I am sure that hee will not bee absent from his cure a twelvemoneth together, and then (I doubt not) but once in a yeare we shall have him.

This was all I could obtaine, but I hope, (by the helpe of this house) before this yeare of threatens runne round, *His Grace* will either have more *Grace*, or no *Grace* at all. For our manifold griefes doe fill a mighty and a vast Circumference, yet so that from every part

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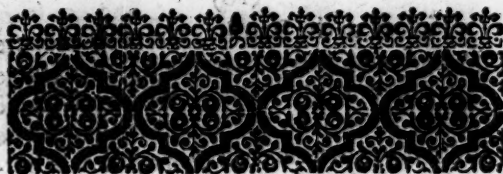
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our lives of sorrow, doe leade unto him,  
and point at him the Center, from whence  
our miseries in this Church, and many  
of them in the Common wealth doe  
grow.

Let the Petition bee read, and  
let us enter upon the worke.





# SPEECH AT A Grand Committee of the

whole house for Re-  
*ligion.*

**Y**ou have many private Petitions, give mee leave ( by word of mouth ) to interpose one more generall, which thus you may receive. Gods true Religion is violently invaded by two seeming enimies: But indeede they are (like *Herod* and *Pilate* ) last friends for the destruction of Truth. I meane the Papists for one partie, and our Prelating faction for the other. Betweene these two in their severall progresse, I observe the concutrence of some few Parallells, fit (as I conceive) to be represented to this Honorable House.

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First with the Papists, there is a severe *Inquisition*: and with us (as it is used) there is a higher high *Commission*, both these (*cruciat fidei & iuri*) are judges in their owne cause: yet herein their *Inquisitors* are better then our *High Commissioners* — They (for ought I ever heard) doe not (*savire in suos*) punish for delinquents and offenders, such as professe and practice, according to the Religion established by the Lawes of the Land where they live.

But with us how many poore distressed Ministers? nay how many scores of them, in a few yeares past, have been suspended, degraded, deprived, excommunicated, nor guilty of the breach of any our established Lawes. The petitions of many are heere with us, more are comming: All their prayers are in haven for redresse.

Secondly, with the Papist, there is a Mysterious artifice I meane their *Index expurgatorius* whereby they clippe the tongues of such witnesses, whose evidence they doe not like. — To this I parallell our late *Imprimatur's*; Licences for the presse: so handled that the Truth is suppressed, and Popish pamphlets fly abroad *cum privilegio*: witness audacious and Libelling Pamphlets against True Religion; written by Pocklington, Heyling, Dow, Co-  
fius,

*sins, Shelsford, Swan, Reeves, Tates, Hausted, Studley, Sparow, Brown, Robertes, Ironside, —* Many more: I name no Bishops, but I adde, &c.

Nay they are already growne so bold in this new trade, that the most learned labours of our ancient and best Divines, must be now corrected and defaced with a *Delcatur* by a supercilious pen of my Lords young Chapline; (fit perhaps) for the techincall arts, but unfit to hold the Chaire for Divinity.

But herein the *Roman Index* is better then are our *English Licences*: They thereby doe preserve the current of their owne established doctrines: a point of wisdom. But with us our *Innovators* by this artifice doe altar our settled Doctrines; Nay they doe subinduce points repngnant and contrariant. And this I dare assume upon my selfe to prove.

One Paralell more I have, and that is this. Among the Papists, there is one acknowledged Supreme Pope, supreme in honour, in order, and in power: from whose judgement there is no appeale. — I confesse (*Mr. Speaker*) I cannot altogether match a Pope with a Pope: (yet one of the ancient titles of our *English* Primate was *Alterius orbis Papa.*) But

thus farre I can goe, *Ex ore suo*. It is in Print. — Hee pleades faire for a Patriarchtae: And for such an one, whose judgement, he (before-hand) professeth ought to bee finall: and then (I am sure) it ought to be un-erring.

Put these together and you shall finde that the finall determination of a Patriarch will want very little of a Pope — and then wee may say — *mutato nomine, de te*

*Fabula narratur* —

Hee pleades Popeship under the name of a Patriarch. And I much feare least the end and toppe of his Patriarchall plea may bee as that of *Cardinall Pole* (his predecessor) who would have two heads, one *Caput Regale*, another *Caput Sacerdotale*: a proud parallell, to set up the Miter as high as the Crowne.

But herein I shall bee free and cleare, if one there must bee (bee it a Pope, bee it a Patriarch;) this I resolve upon for my owne choyce (*Procul a Iove procul a fulmine*.) I had rather serve one as farre off as *Tyber*, then to have him come so neare me as the *Thames*. A Pope at *Rome* will doe mee lesse hurt then a Patriarch may doe at *Lambeth*.

I have done, and for this third Parallell I submitt it to the wisedome and consideration of this grand Committee for Religion, in the meane time I doe ground my motion, upon the former two, and it is this in brieve.

That you would please to select a sub-committee of a few, and to impower them for the discovery of the numbers of oppressed Ministers under the Bishops tyranny for these ten yeares last past. We have the complaint of some, but more are silent: some are patient and will not complaine, others are fearefull and dare not, many are beyond Sea and cannot complaine.

And in the second place, that the sub-committee may examine the Printers what bookes by bad Licences haue beene corruptly issued forth: and what good bookes have beene (like good Minsters) silenced, Clipped or cropped.

The worke I conceive will not bee difficult, but will quickly returne into your hand full of weight.

*And this is my Motion.*





A SPEECH  
AT THE DELIVERY  
of a Petition out of *Kent*, concer-  
ning the present Government of  
the *Church*.

MR. SPEAKER.

**Y** Esterday we did regulate the  
most important businesse be-  
fore us: and gave them motion,  
so that our great and weighty  
affaires, are now on their feete  
in their progresse, journeying on towards  
their severall periods, where some I hope  
will shortly finde their latest home.

Yet among all these I observe one, a ve-  
ry maine one, to sleepe *sine die*: give mee  
leave to awaken it; It is a businesse of an  
immense weight, and worth; such as de-  
serves our best care, and most severe cir-  
cumsppection. I meane the Grand Petiti-  
on long since given in by many thousand  
Citizens against the domineering Clergy.

Wherein (for my part) although I can  
not approve of all that is presented unto  
you, yet I doe clearely professe, that a great  
part of it, nay the greatest part thereof, is

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so



to well grounded, that my heart goes  
cheerefull along therewith.

It seemes that my Countrey (for which  
I have the honour to serve) is of the same  
minde, and least that you should thinke  
that all fautes are included within the  
walles of *Troy*, they will shew you

*Iliacos intra muros peccatur & extra.*

The same greivances which the City  
groanes under, are provincially unto us, and  
I much feare they are nationall among us  
all.

The Pride, the Avarice, the Ambition  
and oppression, by our ruling Clergy is *E-*  
*pidemicall*, it hath infected them all. There  
is not any, or scarce any of them, who is not  
practicall in their owne great cause in hand,  
which they impiously doe mis. call, *the Pie-*  
*ty of the times*, but in truth, so wrong a *Pie-*  
*ty* that I am bold to say,

*In facinus jurasse putes. ———*

Here in this Petition is the disease repre-  
sented, here is the cure intreated.

The number of your Petitioners is con-  
siderable, being above five and twenty hun-  
dred names, and would have beene foure  
times as many, if that were thought mate-  
riall.

The matter in the Petition is of high im-  
port: But your Petitioners themselves are  
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all of them quiet and silent at their owne houses, humbly expecting and praying the resolution of this great *Senate*, upon these their earnest and thrice hearty desires.

Here is nonoyse, no numbers at your doore: they will bee neither your trouble nor your jealousy; for I doe not know of any one of them this day in the Towne: So much they doe affie in the justice of their Petition, & in the goodnesse of this House.

If now you want any of them heere, to make avowance of their Petition, I am their servant. I doe appeare for them and for my selfe, and am ready to avow this Petition, in their names, and in my owne.

Nothing doubting, but fully confident, that I may justly say of the present usage of the Hierarchy in the Church of *England*, as once the Pope ( *Pope Adrian* as I remember ) said of the Clergy in his time: *A vertice capitis ad plantam pedis, nihil est sanum in toto ordine ecclesiastico.*

*I beseech you reade the Petition, regard us, and relieue us.*

*FINIS.*

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